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(S) On January 30, EconUnit Chief delivered reftel names to Elisabeth Ottawa from the Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Department of the Ministry of Finance. Ottawa said she will distribute the information immediately, on a close-hold basis, to the appropriate GoA authorities. She promised to contact us, should the GoA have any questions or concerns regarding the USG's plans to submit the names to the UN 1267 Sanctions Committee. Kilner